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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM : [REDACTED] STAT
Director, Program and Budget Development,
Intelligence Community Staff

VIA : [REDACTED] STAT
Deputy to the DCI for the Intelligence
Community

SUBJECT : Orientation Visit to Congressional Committees

For your information, [REDACTED] and I visited the Hill on Thursday afternoon for the purpose of meeting people who I would be dealing with in the course of carrying out the program and budget business. We met with Mr. Jack Ticer on the Senate Armed Services Committee Staff and Bill Hogan and Frank Slatinchek of the House Armed Services Committee Staff. More importantly, we chatted with Guy McConnell of the Senate Appropriations Committee Staff. He expressed satisfaction with past relationships with the DCI Staff, and he desires to continue working primarily through the IC Staff. We then saw Ralph Preston and Charles Snodgrass from the House Appropriations Committee Staff. Mr. Snodgrass said he believed in the principle of the CFI and would work with the IC Staff. He did say, however, that he would make any contact necessary to gain the information he needed. Recently he has been working closely with John Slack on the ASD(I) Staff. Mr. Snodgrass also expressed a desire to have ready access to the DCI's positions as he had at one time but not in the recent past. We will try to capitalize on his willingness to work with us and develop a closer working relationship with him for the future.

cc: [REDACTED] OLC